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Auburn Alumni Association, Auburn, Alabama

Keeping API running smoothly is

# Buildings and Grounds Department

YOU CAN'T find it listed in the U. S. Census reports. But just the same, the "City of API" ranks 21st in size among the centers of population in Alabama.

Counting student body, faculty and staff, the Alabama Polytechnic Institution has a daily population of slightly more than 10,000. It also provides housing for about 3,000 students. Between 2,000 and 2,300 cars are parked on its 136-acre campus each day.

The college's physical plant includes 100 buildings, with more than two million square feet of floor space. Classrooms, laboratories, offices, cafeterias and dormitories are included in the total.

Of this, 18 per cent or 400,00 square feet is in temporary buildings which need to be replaced.

## Campus utilities

THIS "CITY of API" requires planning, maintenance and service to keep it running smoothly. The responsibility for efficient operation belongs to Director Sam F. Brewster and the 160 employees of the Department of Buildings and Grounds.

The department provides the campus with heat, lights, water. They maintain the streets, landscape the grounds, provide police protection and watchmen for the campus.

Two of the most widely used services are "campus mail" and the telephone exchange. Free mail service is provided between campus departments for the faculty. The mail room stamps all official API mail and routes it to the Auburn Post Office.

While the campus itself has a dial system, the Auburn City Exchange still has local operators. Incoming calls from town telephones to the campus have to be handled by the college operator after the caller obtains "960."

## Many services

THESE SERVICES are only a small part of the B & G story.

Mr. Brewster, the director, has explained the department's work this way: "Big buildings and ivy-covered halls do not in themselves make a great institution. However, a staff—no matter how good—cannot function without



AROUND THE DRAWING board, the Buildings and Grounds professional staff holds a conference about the design of a proposed building. They are (left to right) E. W. (Wink) Whitehead, architectural draftsman; Sam F. Brewster, director; O. W. Bickel, assistant to the director; and Joe Bowman, construction engineer.

adequate physical facilities.

"At Auburn Buildings and Grounds is charged with providing and taking care of these facilities. This frees our administration and faculty from housekeeping details, so they can devote more energy to the business of teaching."

Heading the B & G staff, in addition to Mr. Brewster, are O. W. Bickel, assistant to the director; Joe R. Bowman, construction engineer who is responsible for engineering maintenance; and E. W. (Wink) Whitehead, architectural draftsman.

The work of Buildings and Grounds Department is divided into four major phases—administrative, design, construction and maintenance-operation.

Almost 4,000 work orders were issued during the 1954-55 year. These were for heating, plumbing and numerous other maintenance jobs.

Workmen installed about 25,000 light bulbs and fluorescent tubes during the year.

The janitors used 2,100 gallons of floor cleaners and 1,200 gallons of wax. Their daily cleaning job is roughly equal to sweeping and dusting the average home a thousand times!

For its spring cleaning, Auburn will wash the 9,899 windows in its campus buildings.

## Buildings needed

AUBURN's student body has grown more than 2,500 since 1951. This tremendous increase has made the need for new buildings acute. In spite of this, the college has received state funds for only one major new building since 1951.

Other major construction (financed

without state money) has included the Union Building, completed January, 1954; and the addition to Cliff Hare Stadium, increasing the seating capacity to 27,233, in the fall of 1955.

Two new dormitories, both to be completed by September of 1956, are now under construction on the campus. A men's unit to house 178 students will be located east of Magnolia Hall. A dormitory for 100 coeds is going up on the southwest corner of the Women's Quadrangle.

Renovations and repairs are a large part of the maintenance work. Painting is done by operations and maintenance crews and campus landscape development is also the business of B & G.

With seven miles of primary electric distribution lines, the college's electric bill was \$68,000 in 1954-55. Gas and water bills were about equal, at \$25,000 each. In addition to the gas used for heat, the college burned 5,218 tons of coal during the year.

## Design

THE DESIGN DEPARTMENT works with the commissioned architects in doing preliminary plans, topographic drawings and elevations for new buildings.

Much of Mr. Whitehead's work classifies as miscellaneous. He designed the display case for the ODK football trophy from the Auburn-Alabama game which is on the main floor of the Auburn Union Building. Other typical projects last year were the designing of a wind tunnel and an egg and incubator building.

## Master plan for Auburn

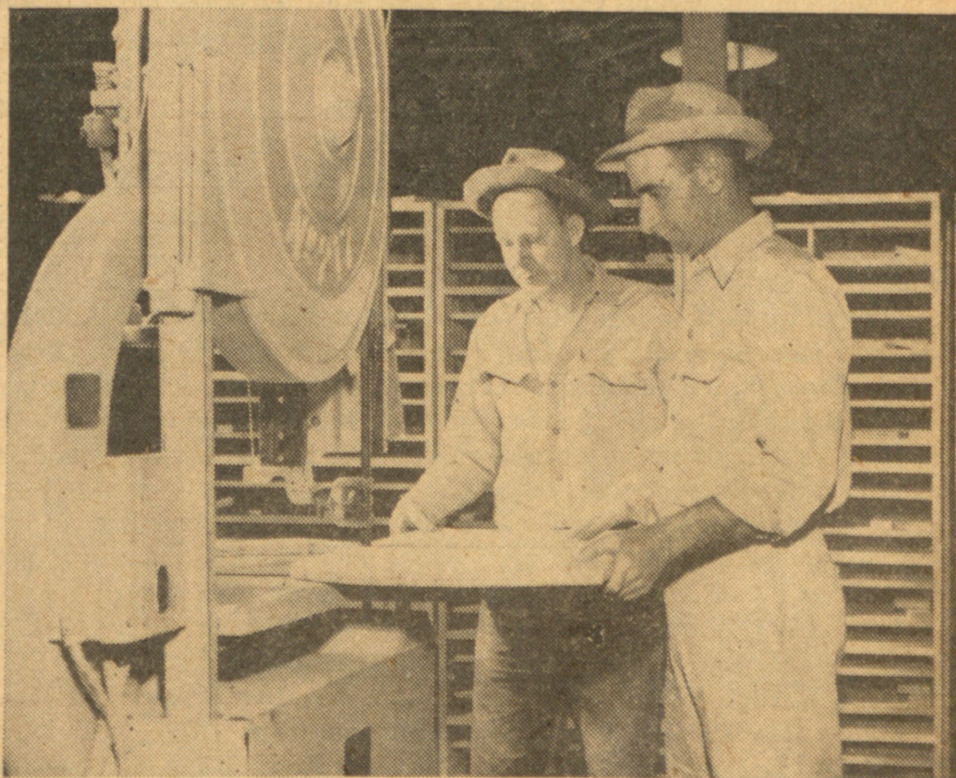
ONE OF THE most important pieces of work during the last several years has been the revision of the Master Development Plan for Auburn.

In the spring of 1954, President Ralph B. Draughon named Mr. Brewster chairman of a special faculty committee to study physical plant requirements of API for the 15 years ending in 1970. (This is the predicted peak enrollment year for colleges.)

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THE AUBURN CAMPUS lost over 150 large shrubs and trees in the killing freeze of March, 1955. Many of the dead plants have already been replaced. These shrubs, which are being "healed out" under the direction of Jack O. Wilson, Jr., B & G campus foreman, will be used to replace others next year.



IN THE CARPENTRY SHOP, Buildings and Grounds workers I. T. Smith (left) and Earnest Starr are busy, operating the band saw. They are completing cabinets for the API mechanical engineering and drawing department which were built in the shop.



# Bill BECKWITH'S auburn sports

DESPITE ALL the talk you hear from one, and many, about the evils of football and collegiate competition in general . . . there's a good side. In fact the good dominates the misdemeanors even though it seldom makes the gossip columns.

Auburn's A-Club performed another of its many fine deeds recently when the athletes established the "A-Club Band Scholarship Fund."

President **Herbie Pearce**, recently elected leader of the A-Club, started the move. It goes into effect on March 3, the date of the A-Day game here. One-half of all proceeds from the game will go to the band annually.



BECKWITH

The Greater Auburn Band is truly one of the nation's top bands and this is one way that the Tiger athletes can show their appreciation for its tremendous support and inspiration.

If you have not already made plans to attend . . . think it over. For only \$1.00 you are guaranteed to see the 1956 edition of the Tiger gridders . . . plus helping the group who does the most and asks the least . . . The Greater Auburn Band. Mail orders for tickets are being accepted now. Just drop a check in the mail to the Auburn A-Club, Box 432, Auburn, Ala.

## Hats off

THE "HATS OFF" department of the *Alumnews* this month goes to Coach **Joel Eaves**, Captain **Jim O'Donnell**, and Guard **Brownie Nelson**, plus the entire Tiger cage team, for their wonderful, if not magnificent, performance against Kentucky. The Wildcats won the game, 82-81, after being outfought and outplayed by an inspired and conscientious group of boys.

National wire stories said that "Nelson was slugged . . . giving Kentucky the victory." Whether this is true, only a few know. But you and I know that Coach Joel Eaves and his squad did the right thing in saying, "We have no comment."

Eaves' statement to the press was nothing but flattery for his team . . . a team that met the challenge of a fine Kentucky team and emerged victorious in their own hearts.

## Tiger notes

ELECTED to serve with President **Herbie Pearce** of the A-Club for 1956 were **Henry Sturkie**, vice-president; **Bill Yarbrough**, secretary, and **Jerry Elliott**, treasurer. This gives the club a representative in each varsity sport—**Pearce**, the baseball pitcher; **Sturkie**, basketball guard; **Yarbrough**, all-around track performer, and **Elliott**, football end and captain of the 1956 team. . . The **Whighams of Louisville** continue to come to Auburn. "Steel Arm," pitcher back in the **Jordan-Beard** era, sent son **Byrd Whigham** to star in baseball and basketball during the past two years. Now second son, **Floyd**, is on the freshman basketball team. Undoubtedly he'll be a baseball player, too.

**Coach Ralph Jordan** is the new, proud owner of a pair of eye-glasses. His joking comment is that he can now read the football brochure for the first time in three years . . . Of the 72 boys who reported for football spring training on February 7, there were 10 seniors, 14 juniors, and 48 sophomores. For the first time in many years, no first-quarter freshmen were in the group . . . First-day position changes by **Jordan** were (1) **Bobby Hoppe** from right to lefthalf, (2) **Billy Kitchens** from left to righthalf, (3) **Hindman Wall** from end to tackle, (4) **Ken Paduch** from center to tackle, (5) **LeRoy Duchene** from center to tackle, (6) **Jerry Sansom** from left to right end, and (7) **Billy Austin** from center to tackle.

The geographical status of the 72 boys in spring practice is broken down into the following 12 states:

Alabama	39	California	2
Georgia	13	Mississippi	1
Louisiana	5	Florida	1
Tennessee	3	North Dakota	1
New Jersey	3	Pennsylvania	1
Illinois	2	Connecticut	1

Wrestling is now being introduced in the high schools of Alabama and will soon be in almost every school as a competitive sport. **Coach Swede Umbach**, whose Auburn matmen have emerged victorious 95 per cent of the time, has spearheaded the move into high schools.

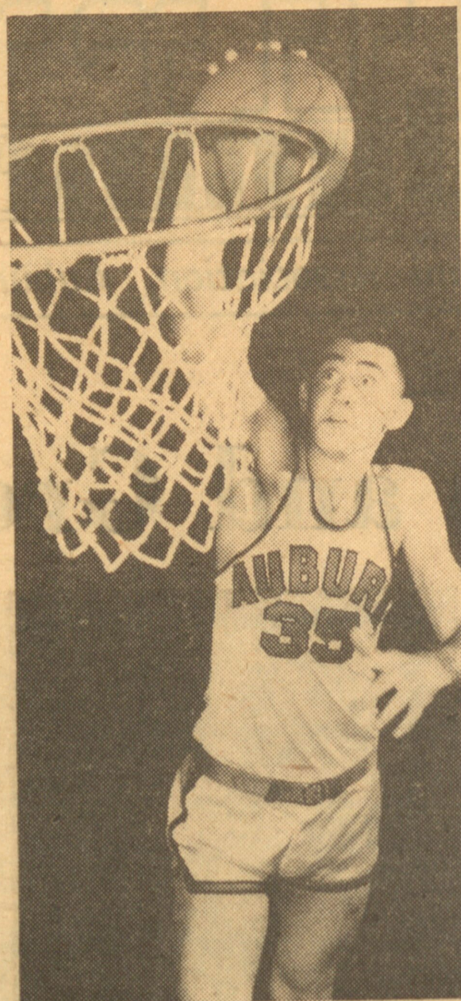
The first high school championships will be run off here on Feb. 17-18 with teams from eight schools entered.

Sophomores are always the talk of football spring training. If one had to name a starting Soph team based on past performances, plus a whale of a lot of imagination, the starting eleven would read:

LE—**Jerry Wilson** (Birmingham), LT—**Ray Brown** (Chico, Calif.), LG—**Frank LaRussa** (Birmingham), C—**Jimmie Ricketts** (Grove Hill) or **Jackie Burkett** (Fort Walton Beach, Fla.), RG—**Don Braswell** (Albany, Ga.) RT—**Dan Presley** (Opp), RE—**Mike Simmons** (New Brunswick, N. J.), QB—**George Egge** (Hayward, Calif.), or **Frank Riley** (Greenville), LH—**Tommy Lorino** (Bessemer), RH—**Billy Kitchens** (Macon, Ga.), and FB—**Donnie May** (Fairfax).

A 15.2 game average

# Meet Bill McGriff



McGriff . . . May shatter records

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## New Recording Of Song, "War Eagle," Is Planned Before Football Season

A NEW RECORDING of Auburn's "War Eagle" song is planned, Alumni Secretary **Joseph B. Sarver, Jr.**, '37, announced. Copies of the new records will be available before the 1956 football season.

"War Eagle," which has been enthusiastically accepted by students and alumni, was given to the Auburn Alumni Association last summer. The donor, **Roy B. Sewell**, '22, of Bremen, and Atlanta, Ga., commissioned two outstanding New York musicians to write a new football fight song for Auburn. When **Al Stilman** and **Robert Allen** completed "War Eagle," Mr. Sewell gave all copyrights to the Alumni Association.

Alumni may be interested to know of the current success of "Moments to Remember," latest song by **Stillman** and **Allen**. It was the Hit Parade's "Number One" song in late January, and was among the leaders in record and sheet music sales.

BY **BILL HUTTO**, '56  
WHEN **BIG** Bob Miller left his hardwood center position in favor of an Auburn diploma two years ago, Tiger fans began moaning the blues. There hadn't been as prolific a point producer on the Plains in some time.

But the moaning is down to a whimper now. This year, in the person of a big-footed center from North Alabama, the Tigers have developed a brand new scoring punch that will put Miller's many records to a stiff test in the next two seasons.

This budding star from the Sand Mountain area is **Bill McGriff**, an agile skyscraper who prepped at Pisgah High.

Only a sophomore, **Bill** has been the leader in every statistical category since this 1956 basketball season had its birth two months ago. As the Plainsmen wheel their way into the second half of the current campaign, the 6-7 pivotman owns 214 points and a 15.2 average per outing.

After rewriting the record books at his alma mater, **Bill** came to Auburn last year to study business administration. He provided the spark on a Tiger freshman team which enjoyed a most enviable basketball season.

## To the varsity

AND THIS year he moved up to Coach **Joel Eaves'** varsity squad, where he has continued to mold himself into a valuable hardwood operative.

Throughout the first few Plainsman contests, **McGriff** had to encounter some of the finest post men in the business, and he performed creditably on each occasion. Such centers as **Jerry Harper** of Alabama, **Raymond Downs** of Texas and others were guarded by the big 19-year-old lad with relative ease. His scoring was also noteworthy.

In Auburn's near-upset of Kentucky (82-81) the 200-pounder eluded All-American **Bob Burrow** under the bucket and canned 12 markers before he fouled out late in the contest. In the Plainsmen's February 7 overtime win of 77-74 over Georgia Tech, the crew-cut youngster hit for 24 points as he provided the last minute, comeback spark which enabled the Tigers to erase a 14-point deficit with only seven minutes left in the regulation game.

It is action like this — rebounding, crucial baskets, and good defensive work—that has made **Bill McGriff** a welcome addition to basketball circles at Auburn. The nine records possessed by **Bob Miller** in Tiger archives are not too secure as long as **Bill** angles his spindly body toward the hoops.

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# S.E.C. Resolution On Recruiting

THE PRESIDENT of the Southeastern Conference has asked that all student and alumni publications within the Conference publish the following resolution, prepared by Dean A. B. Moore of the University of Alabama. The resolution was adopted by the unanimous vote of the SEC at its annual meeting in Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 9, 1955.

In compliance with this request, The Alumnews presents the resolution in full:

"Be It Resolved That,

"(1) On behalf of youth and the cause of intercollegiate athletics we ask all friends to cooperate with us. We specifically request that no alumnus or friends give any financial aid or other reward of value directly or indirectly to any athlete or any members of his family. Under Southeastern Conference and NCAA rules financial assistance can be offered only by a member institution through its regular scholarship committee.

"(2) Anyone who gives financial assistance, not permitted by rules, to athletes is contributing to the degradation of youth and to the disparagement of the good reputation of his institution. In the violation of rules which his institution is honor bound to obey and in corrupting youth, he does not represent his institution, but his institution is responsible to the Conference for his conduct. We challenge all to cooperate with our institutions in the exercise of their inescapable duty to maintain the highest ideals and unquestionable integrity for the proper development of youth.

"(3) We appeal to all who are interested in intercollegiate athletics and in helping to protect the integrity of our educational institutions to cooperate with us in our sincere efforts to preserve honest and wholesome athletics; to be outspoken in condemnation of the violation of rules; and to cooperate fully with the Commissioner of the Conference in his investigation of alleged violations or rules.

"(4) We call upon all friends of intercollegiate athletics to use their strongest influence in the cause of honesty and fair dealing and to refrain from repeating wild rumors about financial aid to athletes. Groundless rumors have frequently been embarrassing to the boy and the institution concerned. Known violations of rules should be condemned and exposed, but wild rumors about violations should be as positively discouraged.

"(5) In the recruitment of athletes we are committed to the policy of not interfering with the studies of high school students. We commend the splendid efforts of Commissioner B. H. Moore along this line and his efforts toward procuring the cooperation of coaches and athletic directors in the maintenance of high standards of athletic competition.

"(6) College coaches and athletic directors are educators of boys and not just sports technicians. It is, therefore, their responsibility to conduct their respective programs in accordance with the mandates of rules and of the highest principles. They can help to promote the coaching profession to a higher level of educational relevance.

"(7) All alumni who participate in the recruitment of athletes or other students should observe the highest ethical standards. They should advocate their own institutions and carefully avoid criticisms of other institutions. The latter kind of activity is professionally unsound and unethical and, therefore, should not be tolerated. Surely competition among educational institutions should not be on a lower ethical plane than that maintained in business and professions."

President O. C. Aderhold of the University of Georgia presided at the meeting. All member institutions of the Conference were represented. The delegates were as follows:

## University of Alabama

Jeff Coleman, Director of Alumni Affairs  
Hank G. Crisp, Athletic Director  
A. B. Moore, Faculty Chm.

## Alabama Polytechnic Institute

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Jeff Beard, Athletic Director  
Wilbur Hutsell, Track Coach

## University of Florida

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## University of Georgia

J. D. Bolton  
R. Driftmier  
H. T. Hollis, Assistant Athletic Director  
Alfred W. Scott, Scholarship Committee Chairman

## Georgia Tech

Lloyd W. Chapin, Faculty Chairman  
Tonto Coleman, Assistant Coach  
Robert L. Dodd, Head Coach and Athletic Director  
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Victory snatched from Tigers as

# Kentucky Wins 82-81

BY BILL HUTTO, '56

THAT SCORE you read in your daily newspaper the morning of February 5, 1956, concerning the Auburn-Kentucky basketball game in Montgomery was no typographical error. It was there—Kentucky 82; Auburn 81.

Chances are if you weren't there in the big State Coliseum to bear witness to the spectacle, you might have suspected faultily proofreading on the part of the newspaper guys. No, not in the least.

Auburn's Joel Eaves had sent his Plainsmen out to ignore a tradition in sport as impressive as the one Notre Dame has molded in college football, and the New York Yankees have so stoically established in major league baseball.

True, the Tigers didn't win this basketball game, but it was won in every respect but on the colored lights of the scoreboard.

With approximately 20 seconds left in the game, the Tigers led Coach Adolph Rupp's Wildcats by an 81-80 margin. It looked like school was out when Auburn guard Brownie Nelson swiped the ball from a 'Cat and started the brief—but eternity-like—freeze.

## All were heroes

NELSON HAD passed the ball off to a mate when desperate Wildcat guard Vernon Hatton knocked the 5-10 playmaker to the floor. Officials called the move a deliberate foul, but failed to eject Hatton.

The groggy Nelson went to the free throw line to take his shots himself, but missed. The Kentuckians rebounded successfully with nine seconds remaining, and the show was over. It was center Bob Burrow who delivered the decisive basket—a jump shot from about 20 feet out.

For Auburn, heroes were hard to single out. All of Eaves' crew gave it all they had. Captain Jim O'Donnell, Hackensack, N. J.'s gift to the cage sport on the Plains, led the Tiger scorers with 24 markers, one point behind Hatton's 25 which was high for the night. Then there were Kay Slayden's 18 and Henry Sturkie's 15 which kept the Plainsmen on the road which seemed certain to end in ultimate national cage prominence.

After Burrow's bucket had sailed through the strings and the clock had run out before Auburn could get the ball back into scoring territory, the stunned gathering of Auburn supporters sat appalled, unable to believe what they had just seen:

An intentional fouling which had kept a scrapping group of Auburn Tigers from entering a state of basketball grandeur they had never before enjoyed.

## Other games

SINCE YOU read these pages last, the Plainsmen have played three other con-

tests. At press time they're sporting a 6-7 overall record with a 3-3 mark in conference action. Here's a brief summary of the recently-played trio of outings:

## Auburn 77, Alabama 86

AFTER leading throughout the majority of their Coliseum (Montgomery) clash on Jan. 14, Auburn let the Crimson Tide slip by in the last few minutes to an important SEC win.

Bill McGriff's 19 points showed the way for Auburn, but the tall Pisgah boy fouled out in the waning minutes. His departure left a noticeable gap in the Plainsmen attack down the home stretch.

The Tide's big center Jerry Harper got hot near the end, and his work slammed the door in the Tiger's faces.

Auburn went off to their halftime siesta with a 42-36 lead. After the break Alabama came blazing back to shrink that lead, and when McGriff left the game, the Plainsmen got the jitters and Johnny Dee's men sprinted in.

## Auburn 60, Georgia 59

AT ATHENS Jan. 21, the Tigers eked a 60-59 win over Georgia's Bulldogs, out a 60-59 win over Georgia's Bulldogs, porarily sidelined with a pinched nerve in his shoulder.

Slayden and O'Donnell with 16 and 15 points put Auburn across the line first in a battle which almost slipped away. McGriff had 13 when he left the contest in the second half.

## Auburn 73, Jax 64

ADVANCE notices apparently failed to arouse the Plainsmen because the Sports Arena encounter with Jacksonville State showed a minimum of offense and defense as they defeated the Gamecocks by a 73-64 margin Jan. 28.

## Auburn 77, Tech 74

McGRIFF picked the Tigers up by their boot straps in the Sports Arena Feb. 7 and after overcoming a 14-point deficit with only seven minutes left, they surged to a 77-74 overtime win over the pesky Yellow Jackets of Georgia Tech.

The tall center finished his night's chores with a highpoint total of 24. Four of these precious markers came in the overtime period.

Auburn had their backs to the wall with time running out on them. Then they finally found the mark and knotted the regulation affair at 65-65, with McGriff sinking three consecutive baskets from 15 feet out, and Brownie Nelson contributing two foul shots for the deadlocking pair.

The triumph moved the Plainsmen into sole possession of fourth place in the SEC race behind Alabama, Vanderbilt, and Kentucky.



TWO OF THE BEST fraternity teams—Kappa Alpha and Sigma Phi Epsilon—battle for the ball in a crucial intramural game. The KA cagers trailed until the final two minutes, then forged ahead to win 57-50. The 22 fraternities have played round-robin schedules of eight games each, making a total of more than 100 games scheduled this season. The four top teams will meet in the finals Feb. 14.



# Fabrics Without Weaving

MANAGING A MIRACLE is the business of Richard E. Charlton, Jr., '37.

The miracle in question is the fabulous new Lantuck Division of West Point Manufacturing Co., which makes fabrics without weaving.

It took more than slight-of-hand to turn the trick, though. First (in 1946) the West Point research department tackled the long-time dream of textile men—producing non-woven fabrics which would have the strength of ordinary cloth.

When the laboratory tests were favorable, West Point turned to dynamic, young Dick Charlton, a chemical engineer. Mr. Charlton, employed by Maslan Dura-leather Company in Philadelphia, Penn., had engineered and developed Duran, the first nationally known polyvinyl non-backed upholstery product.

Mr. Charlton agreed to return to his native Alabama to "work the kinks out" of the non-woven process. He arrived at Fairfax in August, 1950, as manager of West Point's embryonic Lantuck Division.

## Lantuck is versatile

FOUR MACHINES in the corner of a standard cotton mill formed the initial pilot unit.

Combining his engineering know-how with West Point research, Mr. Charlton's results exceeded the company officials' dreams.

Originally, the research department attempted to produce a bonded fiber fabric as a reinforcement for high-pressure laminates. This was done. But the new manager didn't stop there. The Lantuck plant went on to perfect methods for making non-woven fabrics with the qualities of leather, felt and cloth—as well as plastic.

Today the laminates account for the smallest fraction of Lantuck sales.

## Expanding market

"LAMINATES ARE one of our five major markets," Mr. Charlton pointed out. "And the 'non-wovens' market is expanding all the time, as more industries learn about Lantuck products."

Non-woven products, with one exception, are put to industrial uses. They may become:

1. Soft backing for coated fabrics in automobile door panels, dinette sets, upholstery.
2. Felt replacement in pocketbooks and shoes.
3. Bag fabrics for packaging drying agents, which are placed with expensive military equipment to prevent rust during transoceanic shipment.
4. Interlining. Interlon is the trade name for the Lantuck interlining, which is used by both dressmakers and homemakers. The nylon-rayon non-woven fabric is light weight, non-crushable, washable, and easy to cut and sew because it has no bias. It comes in a number of colors.
5. Laminates for gears, bobbin heads and other equipment used under high pressures.

## Designed equipment

MR. CHARLTON'S first assignment



Richard E. Charlton, Jr., '37 . . . Miracle maker

was development of improved production methods and machinery for most efficient manufacture of the non-woven fabrics.

The energetic chemical engineer, who thrives on work, designed most of the equipment himself. Then he began making plans for the plant he wanted.

It is an L-shaped building with the machine shop as the core. This adjoins railroad spurs and truck loading platforms. Cotton, nylon and rayon, as well as the newer fibers, can be unloaded and treated or stored in nearby areas.

The non-woven fabric may be an all-cotton product, or one combining several man-made yarns. After the fibers are weighed, they are laid into webs (or bats) which are extremely soft.

Bats are moved by roller to chemical baths, where the treatment determines the color (if any) as well as the desired properties of the non-woven fabric.

## Modern plant

THE LANTUCK manager has a vigor and enthusiasm which have spread to the 160 employees of the newest West Point Division.

He likes to talk about the division's rapid progress, which he describes in the following words:

"In 1955 we erected and put into operation a 200,000 square-foot plant, one of the most modern and versatile textile units in the world. Our old plant continues as a branch operation.

"Thus, in just five years, the Lantuck Division has been brought from a pilot plant just out of research to a full-scale manufacturing business."

Mr. Charlton is proud, too, of the Auburn men who are employed at Lantuck. Joe Phillips, '33, is assistant plant manager. Other employees are William I. Barnes, '40, John Carl Crutchfield, '54, Melvin E. Fetner, '52, Floyd L. Knowles, '53, Bryant D. Lanier, '45, Malcolm Davenport, '49, Clifford A. Lowe, '57, Herman Slaton, '48, Charles Jackson Strother, Jr., '31, Sidney A. Terry, '52, James H. Cook, '50, and Robert H. Chambers, '41.

## From Autaugaville

THE SOUTH had few chemical industries when Dick Charlton received his chemical engineering degree from Auburn in 1937. That's why he accepted a job as a chemist with B. F. Goodrich Chemical Co. in Akron, Ohio.

Soft-spoken Dick was the oldest of the three children in the Richard E. Charlton family of Autaugaville. As a boy he helped his father in the general merchandise store, clerking every Saturday from 1-11 p.m.

A pony, swimming, high school football and baseball and Epworth League parties took up much of his time. Dick also operated a cut-down Model T Ford.

Because of the depression, his schooling was a problem. The Autaugaville High School closed during Dick's 10th and 12th years. He attended Autauga County High in Prattville and then returned to Hicks Memorial School at Autaugaville. To earn enough credits for Auburn entrance requirements, Dick spent six weeks during a summer session attending Auburn High.

Other Auburnites in his family are his sister, Mrs. Virginia Charlton Smith,

'42, of Atlanta, and his brother, John (Jack) Baker Charlton, '49, who is with Chemstrand in Pensacola, Fla.

## "You don't know that much"

AERONAUTICAL engineering succumbed to chemical engineering during Dick's freshman year at Auburn.

"I remember asking Von Chandler about CE in the locker rooms after a track squad workout. He described it so vividly that I decided, 'That's for me.' The next quarter he switched his course to agricultural engineering."

Dick retains "a vivid picture of Dr. C. A. Basore, '14, Dr. C. R. Saunders, '23, Prof. P. P. Powell, '10, and their antagonizing experiences trying to pound chemistry into my head."

One time Prof. Powell told me when I made 99 on a monthly quantitative analysis exam, 'Dick, you just don't know that much chemistry.' We have laughed over that within the last few years."

In his senior year, he earned the nickname, "Pea Brain IV."

## Blue Key prexy

HIS AUBURN activities included serving as president and treasurer of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity and president of Blue Key.

He was a member of the Interfraternity Council, Spades and Scabbard and Blade.

Dick Charlton feels the friendliness that exists between all students is one of Auburn's most valuable assets. One of his outstanding impressions was "the love of Auburn by the students and the pleasure of following the football and track teams, and, of course, the many dances and social events that highlighted most every weekend. Then . . . the difficulty of getting down to preparing for Monday classes late every Sunday afternoon."

It was at Auburn that the six-footer from Autaugaville met his wife, Dorothy Collier Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Lewis of Tuskegee. Dot attended Auburn in 1937-38 with the Class of 1940. She became Mrs. R. E. Charlton, Jr., on June 4, 1938.

## Developed Duran

MR. CHARLTON took his bride to Akron, where he remained with Goodrich.

In turn he became chemical engineer operating synthetic rubber and polyvinyl chloride pilot plants, a research division chemical engineer working on process problems of polyvinyl materials, a development engineer and production foreman in the Koroseal Division and a field engineer on Geon polyvinyl resins.

The critical shortage of rubber during the early years of World War II brought severe restriction in its use. Mr. Charlton wrote the War Production Board's specifications for the development of polyvinyl materials to take the place of rubber and synthetic rubber wherever it was possible.

In his work as field engineer, Mr. (Continued on Page 8)

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Mr. Charlton and Joe Phillips, '33, assistant manager



Rotary President Charlton Greets API's David Mullins



Lantuck Manager Charlton Shows Plant To Visitor



# Alumnalities

1884

**Deaths:** Benjamin Hartwell Boyd, 91, widely known Alabama educator, at his home in Hartford Jan. 14 after a lengthy illness. He was one of Auburn's oldest surviving graduates. A native of Shorter in Macon County, Mr. Boyd and his brother LeRoy received their early education from their father. They entered the sophomore class at Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical College in 1881. Mr. Boyd was one of the 12 graduates of 1884. He was a charter member of Kappa Alpha fraternity's Nu chapter at Auburn. Following his graduation he established a private school and later opened Boyd High School at Ramer. He was school principal in Pike, Coffee and Geneva Counties and Geneva County superintendent of education. "Professor" Boyd spent a great deal of time in personal classroom teaching during his 42 years in educational work. Upon his retirement, he operated a cotton and pecan farm at Hartford. He was an elder in the Hartford Presbyterian Church for 50 years. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Bertie Campbell Boyd; two sons and four daughters.

1893

Sheldon L. Toomer is improving at his home on West Magnolia Street in Auburn, after a slight stroke in December. Mr. Toomer was proprietor of Toomer's Drug Store for more than 50 years. Since his retirement from the drug store, he has devoted more time to his farm in Lee County. He is president of the Bank of Auburn.

1899

Burton's Book Store, established at the request of the Auburn trustees and faculty in 1878, observed its 78th anniversary in January. Miss Lucile Burton is proprietor.

1900

**Deaths:** Benjamin Lee McGee, 70, retired railroadman, in Atlanta Jan. 2. Mr. McGee has served as executive clerk to the vice president of Southern Railway System, secretary of the Atlanta Terminal Co., and a director of Georgia Midland Railway. Survivors include his wife.

1902

Mrs. Mollie Hollifield Jones of Auburn is receiving congratulations upon the December publication of her book, "Auburn, Loveliest Village of the Plain." Copies of the history of Auburn may be ordered from the author.

1906

Class reunion: Homecoming, Nov. 9-10, 1956.

**Deaths:** John Wilton Burton, 70, former mayor of Marianna, Fla., Jan. 10. He had been ill five weeks. Mr. Burton was a native of Opelika. Survivors include Mrs. Burton and one son, George Burton of Birmingham.

Henry Gaston Mitchel is confined to his home at 209 North Garland, Memphis, Tenn. Mr. Mitchel was an engineer with a Memphis power company until a serious heart ailment forced his retirement. He was a member of the 1905 football team.

1908

J. Lister Skinner is director of the William R. Moore School of Technology in Memphis, Tenn.

1909

**Deaths:** E. Gordon Brown, 65, retired automobile dealer, in Opelika Jan. 29 after a lengthy illness. Mr. Brown was a native of Lee County. He became an enthusiastic fisherman after his retirement in 1953. He has a perfect attendance record at the Opelika Rotary Club for almost 12 years. It was broken last summer when he became ill. Survivors include Mrs. Brown; a brother and a sister.

Robert Burch Robinson, retired, makes his home in Newnan, Ga. His address is Robinson Building.

1910

J. C. Falkner is a consultant in Port Washington, N. Y. . . . Bryant Richardson is a rural mail carrier in Sumter County, and a farmer at Emelle. . . . Joseph J. Taylor is state chemist for Florida. His home and headquarters are in Tallahassee.

1911

Class reunion: Homecoming, Nov. 9-10, 1956.

Lawrence Stern Morgan makes his



Brief sketches and news items  
on Auburn's sons and  
daughters

1920

William Lee Sims, II, president of Colgate-Palmolive Co. of Jersey City, N. J., was featured speaker at the 85th annual Press Association convention in Birmingham in January.

1921

**Deaths:** Dr. Thomas Lee Tidmore, physician, in Atlanta Feb. 5. Dr. Tidmore took his pre-medical work at Auburn in 1919-20. Survivors include his wife; one daughter; two sons; one sister and one brother.

Homer Gray Barte is an executive with Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co. in Louisville, Ky. . . . Rodney H. Copeland is superintendent of steam generation for Alabama Power Co. He makes his home in Birmingham.

1922

Howard Hill is a motion-picture producer and writer of true adventure stories at Pacoima, Calif. Mr. Hill has been recognized as the world's greatest archer.

1923

**Deaths:** Lt. Col. Robert B. Mardre, 54, at Fort Lee, Va., Base Hospital Jan. 29. Col. Mardre suffered a cerebral hemorrhage Jan. 21 while on Army business at Fort Lee. He was stationed at Fort Eustis, Va. A native of Lumpkin, Ga., Col. Mardre had taught in Fountain Inn, S. C., Chipley, Tifton and Cordele, Ga. He earned his master's degree in education from Auburn in 1932 and became superintendent of Opelika schools

home at the Norman Hotel, 125 Second Street, St. Petersburg, Fla. . . . Sam W. DuPuy, director of research and process development for the American Agricultural Chemical Co., retired in 1955 after nearly 40 years of service. He is continuing as a consultant to the company. Mr. DuPuy makes his home at 14 Greenwood Road, Westfield, N. J.

1912

Col. Gordon H. Steele, retired Army officer, makes his home at 221 Cortland Avenue, Winter Park, Fla.

1916

Werter S. Hackworth of Nashville, Tenn., continues as president of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis Railroad. Mr. Hackworth rejected an offer to become president of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad upon the resignation of the former president in January. Mr. Hackworth has been with NC & STL for 36 years, including 10 years as president.

1918

Robert Newman White is clerk for the town of Valley Head in DeKalb County. He is also a Baptist clergyman.

1919

Dr. McKenzie Heath is associate professor of small animal surgery in the API School of Veterinary Medicine. . . . Arthur L. Jones is a district manager for American Blower Corp. in Fayetteville, N. Y. His work is in sales engineering.

Lansing T. Smith, '19, elected

## Gulf Power President

LANSING T. SMITH, Jr., '19, of Pensacola, is new president of the Gulf Power Co.

Mr. Smith was advanced to the presidency from the post of vice president and general manager. He is continuing to serve as general manager of the power company.

When Mr. Smith went to Pensacola as executive assistant of Gulf Power, the company's total generating capacity was less than 2,500 kilowatts. With present expansion plans, Gulf Power will soon reach 235,000 kilowatts.

James F. Crist, retiring president of Birmingham, said that Mr. Smith's service has "been characterized by ability, devotion to duty and a high sense of public responsibility."

### Electrical engineer

A NATIVE of Anniston, Mr. Smith attended Alabama Presbyterian College before enrolling at API. Here he met Annalee Edwards, '17, a native of Auburn. They were married in 1920.

Lansing was an honor student and a member of Phi Kappa Phi. While earning his bachelor's degree in electrical engineering, he was active in engineering organizations and served as a laboratory instructor. The 1919 Glomerata said: "We feel sure that he will be one of the most successful men in the Elec. class."

Following his graduation, Mr. Smith joined General Electric Co. In 1920 he became an engineer with Alabama Power Co. After a short interlude in the construction business, Mr. Smith returned as superintendent of Alabama Power's Northern Division.

He was employed by Gulf Power in 1926. Promotions followed regularly, giving Mr. Smith the successive titles of new business manager, sales promotion manager, assistant to the general manager, and vice president. In 1953 Mr. Smith was named general manager in addition to his vice presidential post.

The power executive is a director of Southeastern Electric Exchange and Southern Services, Inc.

### Civic work

MR. SMITH has been active in professional and civic groups.

He is a former president of the Pensacola Kiwanis Club, the Industrial Management Association and the Retail Merchants Association. He is currently a director of the Pensacola and Florida State Chambers of Commerce and the Pensacola YMCA.

Another civic assignment is membership on the City of Pensacola Planning Board.



Smith . . . Glomerata foresaw success

Mr. Smith also serves on the Florida Nuclear Development Commission. He is now chairman of the Utilities and Public Works Division of the Escambia County Civil Defense Council.

Mr. Smith is a member of the First Methodist Church. He belongs to the Country Club and the Yacht Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith have one son, Lansing T. Smith, III, '47; and three grandchildren, all of Pensacola.

## DR. W. L. PARRISH, '17, AUBURN TRUSTEE, DIES IN CLANTON

DR. WILLIAM LONNIE PARRISH, '17, member of the Auburn Board of Trustees for the past eight years, died at his home in Clanton Jan. 31 after a lengthy illness.

Dr. Parrish was a practicing veterinarian in his native Chilton County until his election as probate judge in 1946. Following a six-year term, Judge Parrish resumed his practice.

In 1947 he was appointed to the API Board of Trustees by Gov. James E. Folsom to represent the



Sixth District for a 12-year term of office.

API President Ralph B. Draughon, '22, said of Judge Parrish:

"As a Trustee, Judge Parrish rendered excellent service to his Alma Mater. Although his chief interest was in the development of the School of Veterinary Medicine and in research in the animal industries, he was conscientious in his support of all measures for the improvement of the whole institution. He was a loyal and devoted alumnus and we shall miss him very much."

Dr. Parrish was graduated from Auburn in the veterinary class of 1917. He then enlisted in the Army Veterinary Corps as a private in World War I.

He had served as president of the Chilton County Farm Bureau, chairman of the County Board of Education, member of the Board of Deacons of the Concord Baptist Church and president of the County's Cattlemen's Association.

Dr. Parrish was a member of Alpha Psi professional veterinary fraternity.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Annie Jones Parrish; two daughters, Mrs. Ola Mae Parrish Smelter, '43, Panama City, Fla., and Mrs. James Plier, Clanton; and a son, Frank, who is a sophomore in Auburn's School of Veterinary Medicine.

the next year. In 1942 he entered the Army as a reserve officer. He served two tours of duty in Korea. In 1955 Col. Mardre was awarded the Republic of Korea Ulchi Distinguished Service Medal for his work as senior information and education advisor with the Korean Army. He returned to the United States in March, 1955. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Ethel Bush Mardre; one son, Robert B. Mardre, Jr.; a daughter, Mrs. Judson Scott, Jr., all of Opelika; and three sisters, Mrs. Humber Patterson, Atlanta; Mrs. J. W. Tidmore, Auburn; and Mrs. Hartwell Davis (Elizabeth Mardre, '29), Montgomery.

**Deaths:** Dr. Joseph H. Ryland, veterinarian, in Selma, following a heart attack, Jan. 26. Dr. Ryland is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ruth McConico Ryland, '41.

James Raymond Davis is assistant principal of Gadsden High School. His



duties also include serving as faculty advisor of athletics and as a mathematics teacher. He makes his home in Gadsden. . . . Jack F. Nettles, vice president of Peterman Agricultural Co., has been reelected second vice president of the Alabama Soil Fertility Society.

## 1924

**Births:** A son, David Glen, to Mr. and Mrs. George S. Cope (Barbara Wamp) of Wiersdale, Fla., Nov. 29.

**Marriages:** Margaret Alice Taylor to Bernard Bradford of Selma Jan. 12

Paul P. B. Brooks, who earned his master's degree from Auburn, has joined the National Bureau of Standards in Washington, D. C., as a physicist in the field of electronics. Mr. Brooks, a retired science teacher at Montgomery's Lanier High School, won the 1954 Frank G. Brewer Trophy for "unselfish service to the air youth" in Alabama. During his 34 years as head of the Lanier science department, Mr. Brooks taught physics and aeronautics. . . . A. Jesse Duke, Birmingham, is president of Lincoln Metals and Chemical Co. . . . Dr. Eddie H. Durr is a veterinarian in Jackson, Miss.

## 1925

Claude D. Ebersole is sales representative for Virginia Supply and Well Co. in Atlanta. . . . Frank Floyd, Sr., is a military pay clerk in the finance and accounting office, Military Pay Branch, The Infantry Center, Fort Benning, Ga. He lives in Columbus.

## 1926

**Deaths:** J. Borden Jackson, 50, of Atlanta, Jan. 29. Mr. Jackson was a native of Clairmont Springs near Talladega. For a number of years Mr. Jackson had been associated with the sales department of U. S. Rubber Co. in Birmingham. He had also lived in Montgomery. In 1955 Mr. and Mrs. Jackson (Margaret "Cricket" Lane, '26) moved to Atlanta. Survivors include Mrs. Jackson; one daughter, Mrs. Harry S. Roberts (Elizabeth Jackson, '53), Columbus, Ga.; one son, James William (Billy) Jackson, a freshman in architecture at Auburn; his mother; three brothers, Dr. Hubert Jackson, '25, San Antonio, Tex.; Dr. Vance Jackson, '28, and Morgan Jackson, '34, both of LaGrange, Ga.; and one sister, Georgia M. Jackson, '38, Clairmont Springs.

Clyde C. Pearson, Montgomery architect, is 1956 president of the Alabama Citizens Advisory Educational Council, a state-wide group whose purpose is to work for education. Mr. Pearson is immediate past president of the Auburn Alumni Association.

G. Davis Rox is southern traffic manager for L and N Railway Co. at Birmingham. . . . J. Lipscomb Singleton is an executive with Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Co. at Milwaukee, Wis. . . . H. A. (Doc) Small is a teacher at Camden, S. C. He is also in the real estate business. . . . Albert H. Stockmar is a rancher at the Flying S Ranch at Villa Rica, Ga. . . . J. Russell Wilson is vice president of Monsanto Chemical Co. at St. Louis, Mo. . . . Joseph M. Wolfe is office engineer of the Florida East Coast Railway Co. at St. Augustine, Fla.

## 1927

Jesse F. Collins, Jr., is regional manager of the new Technical Service Division office of The Texas Co., which was opened in Atlanta in January.



J. F. Collins, '27

Mr. Collins, who was graduated from Auburn in chemical engineering, joined Texaco in 1929. He has worked at the Port Arthur, Tex., refinery and in New York City and Houston offices. He was promoted to his new position from the job of technologist in the company's Houston office. . . . Hubert E. Conine has been elected vice president and chairman of the board of directors for the Camp Hill Bank. Mrs. Conine is secretary and assistant treasurer.

Francis Payne Hereford is a certified public accountant and a member of the CPA firm of Crane, Jackson and Wilson in Montgomery. . . . Louie A. McGraw is manager of the Mobile office of General Electric. Mr. and Mrs. McGraw make their home in Spring Hill. . . . Walter Leon Meadows is an oil producer at Midland, Tex.

## 1928

Herman T. Johnson is an architectural engineer with the U. S. Department of Defense in Washington, D. C. He

## Joins American Water Works

# W. H. H. Putnam, '27

BIRMINGHAM WATER WORKS is the only employer William Henry Harrison Putnam has known since his graduation from Auburn in 1927.

In his 28½ years with the system, he has risen from engineer to general manager. But on March 1, 1956, Mr. Putnam will have a new employer.

He has accepted the position of Pennsylvania division manager of American Water Works Service Co. in Pittsburgh. He will have 42 operating companies under his direction. He will continue to serve as a consultant for Birmingham.

Water Works Board Chairman A. C. Montgomery described Mr. Putnam as a "wonderful manager." He pointed out that since his appointment as general manager in 1949, Mr. Putnam has supervised a 10 million dollar expansion program. Almost half, or five million dollars, has been spent since 1953 in improvement and expansion of the water system into one of the nation's finest and most modern.

## Engineer editor

WHILE AN electrical engineering student at Auburn, "Put" was editor of The Auburn Engineer. He was member of Kappa Sigma, and Tau Beta Pi, Eta Kappa Nu and Phi Kappa Phi honoraries.

He was promoted from his first job as engineer to assistant chief plant engineer in 1930. Two years later he became chief engineer at the pump station. After serving as assistant to the general manager, he spent 10 years as the water works assistant general manager.

lives in Arlington, Va. . . . Homer F. Kindig is associated with Greenwood Products Co. at Graceville, Fla. . . . Stewart D. McKnight is Marengo County superintendent of education. He makes his home in Dayton. . . . Douglas E. Newsome is a general contractor in Columbus, Ga. . . . Ernest Luther Potter is assistant division superintendent in charge of operations for Alabama Power Co. at Anniston.

Raymond Sizemore has been installed as first vice president of the Montgomery Lions Club. He is a Montgomery architect. . . . Edd Kyle Tucker of Camp Hill has been elected to the board of directors of the Camp Hill Bank. Mr. Tucker is a farmer and cattleman.

## 1929

K. V. (Rip) Reagan, vocational agricultural teacher at Greenville, is new president of the Alabama Wildlife Federation. Mr. Reagan was one of three vice presidents elected at the federation's annual meeting in October, 1955. Following the death of the former president in a hunting accident, the board of directors named Mr. Reagan to the presidency. The selection was made on the basis of his interest in the conservation program and the effort he has exerted throughout the state. Mr. Reagan is now serving his fifth term as president of the Butler County Conservation Club. He was first elected a vice president of the state group in 1943, and has served as a county delegate each succeeding year. Mr. Reagan has also taught at Slocumb.

Keller Weaver is a partner in the firm of Horace M. Weaver and Son, architects and engineers, in Birmingham.

## 1930

Otis B. Pullen teaches vocational agriculture at Parkton, N. C. . . . Edward E. Purvis of Foley is secretary-manager of Baldwin Oil Mills. . . . William N. Reaves owns and operates Reaves Wholesale Grocery at Camp Hill. . . . Henry Reeves, Jr., is sales manager for Hercules Powder Co. in the United Kingdom. He makes his home in Esher, Surrey. . . . Fred W. Renneker, Jr., is vice president of the Birmingham Kiwanis Club for 1956. He is a practicing architect in Birmingham.

Johnie Wesley Sentell is associated with Sentell Oil Co. at Ashland. . . . Col. Rufus W. Shepherd is stationed in Montgomery.

## 1931

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John G. Goodman is associate professor in the poultry husbandry department at Auburn. He is also engaged in research work. . . . Lt. Col. William W. Hill, Jr., has been appointed executive



Putnam . . . 28½ years' service

Mr. Putnam is a former president of the Alabama Water and Sewage Association, and is currently state delegate to the American Water Works Association, which he also serves as a director. He is a former president of the Birmingham Boy Scout Council and an active member of the Jefferson County Auburn Alumni Club and the Birmingham Rotary Club.

Mrs. Putnam is the former Estelle Lee Payne. The Putnams have one son, William Eli, who is a graduate of Birmingham-Southern College.

## —API—

officer of G-3 at Fort Bliss, Tex. Col. Hill is a native of Auburn and son of W. W. (Tubby) Hill, '97, member of the Auburn faculty for 50 years. He entered the Army in 1941, as a field artillery officer. He attended the second guided missiles officer course at Fort Bliss in 1948, and is a former faculty member of the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. Since 1953, Col. Hill has been S-3 of the Second Guided Missile Group and commanding officer of the 246th (Corporal) Battalion. He was also chief of the Guided Missile Division of G-3. Col. and Mrs. Hill and their four children live at Fort Bliss.

Lawrence Howard Hull is a chemist for the Tennessee Valley Authority at Sheffield. . . . Master Sgt. Ralph C. Jones is serving with 8132 headquarters detachment at Inchon Port, Korea, where he works in cargo planning. His home is Cusseta, Ga. . . . Carlos L. McIntyre is Soil Conservation Service survey supervisor for the northern half of Georgia. His home and headquarters are in Rome. . . . Charles H. Martin is associated with M. H. Valve and Fittings Co. in Anniston. . . . Sabel L. Shanks operates Shanks Distributing Co., Inc., in Columbia, S. C.

## 1932

Carolyn R. Naftel teaches school in Bessemer. . . . James W. Nicol is general superintendent of mines for U. S. Pipe and Foundry Co. in Birmingham. . . . Roy L. Spruiell operates Spruiell's Dairy Farms at Leeds. . . . James F. Turner is an electrical engineer and consultant with Tennessee Coal and Iron Division of U. S. Steel. He lives in Birmingham.

## 1933

LaVerne A. Johnston, sales promotion manager for Gulf Power Co., is president of the Greater Pensacola Community Chest for 1956. Mr. Johnston has served as a section chairman in the group solicitation division and headed a Chest study committee. Mr. Johnston, who holds a BS degree in engineering from Auburn, has lived in Pensacola for 19 years. He served in the Navy during World War II, entering as a lieutenant, junior grade, and being separated as a lieutenant commander. Mrs. Johnston is the former Bettie Jones.

Marcus M. Striplin, Jr., is assistant chief of the development branch of Tennessee Valley Authority at Wilson Dam. His work involves chemical engineering development. Mr. Striplin lives in Florence.

## 1934

William N. Sharp is manager of the

Opelika Chamber of Commerce. His work includes public and industrial relations for Opelika. . . . Aubrey A. Taylor is owner of Taylor Real Estate and Insurance Agency in Sylacauga. . . . George E. White, Jr., is general manager of the Phenix Natural Gas System and Phenix City Water Works. He makes his home in Columbus.

## 1935

Guy V. Martin, who has retired from the Army, is a farmer at Route 1, Trussville. . . . W. B. Morland is sales supervisor for Phillip Morris and Marlboro cigarettes in Los Angeles, Calif. His home is in Whittier, Calif. . . . Albert A. Nettles, vice president of Peterman Agricultural Co. of Peterman, is new vice president of the Alabama Farm Equipment Dealers Association. He lives in Monroeville. . . . Dr. Albin George Pass is a veterinarian with the U. S. Department of Agriculture at Baton Rouge, La. . . . Ira H. Weissinger is Lee County probate judge in Opelika.

## 1936

**Births:** A son, Dennis Charles, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur R. Long, Jr., of Birmingham Dec. 5.

A. T. (Tap) Hanson, director of industrial relations for West Point Manufacturing Co. of West Point, Ga., was main speaker at the January meeting of the Auburn Campus Club. Mr. Hanson discussed "Modern Textile Manufacturing." . . . W. Wilson Hill is city clerk in Auburn. . . . William C. Platt is owner-manager of Platt Air Conditioning Co. of Jackson, Miss. . . . Lynch Whatley is president of the Opelika Kiwanis Club for 1956. He is a dairy farmer on Route 2, Opelika.

## 1937

Dr. C. Paul Vickers is a veterinarian in Tallahassee, Fla. . . . Mrs. C. M. Weller (Margaret Lee Phillips) is bookkeeper for McConnell Brothers Motor Co. in Montgomery. . . . Clifford G. Webb is civil engineer at Ponchatoula, La.

Charlton H. Williams, president of Swift Manufacturing Co. of Columbus, Ga., was one of three professional engineers initiated into the Auburn chapter of Tau Beta Pi honorary recently.

## 1938

Dr. Robert Richman is a veterinarian at Baltimore, Md. . . . W. Eugene Roy is associated with Capital City Laundry in Montgomery. . . . Dr. D. Dallas Ruch is a veterinarian with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania at Quakertown. . . . Dr. Warren V. Stough, physician, is associated with Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami, Fla. . . . Walter L. Sutton is sales engineer with General Electric Co. at Baton Rouge, La. . . . Willard H. Tankersley is a salesman with Jones and Armstrong Steel Co. of Birmingham at Decatur.

## 1939

J. M. Bolling, former Bullock County agent, is new county agent for Macon County. Mr. Bolling started his Extension Service career as Macon County assistant agent in 1939, following his graduation from Auburn. He spent two years as Bullock County agent during World War II, returning there as agent in 1953. Mr. and Mrs. Bolling and their child are making their home in Tuskegee. . . . Gerald L. Bilbro is an architect in Griffin, Ga. . . . Lt. Col. Thomas Jackson Bowen is serving with the Engineer Section of the Armed Forces of the Far East and Eighth Army in Tokyo, Japan. Col. and Mrs. Bowen have a daughter, Mary Allen, 8. Col. Bowen, who graduated from Auburn in mechanical engineering, holds a master's degree in civil engineering from Texas A. and M. College.

## 1940

**Births:** A son, Jack, to Mr. and Mrs. James B. Cagle of Pell City Jan. 5. Carl C. Motley is an electrical engineer with Tennessee Valley Authority at Knoxville, Tenn.

Dennis W. Newton has opened his own business, Newton Tire and Recapping Co., in Newberry, S. C. Mr. Newton has been employed by B. F. Goodrich in Charlotte and Asheville, N. C., for 15 years. He is married to the former Mary Blackwell of Newberry. The Newtons have three children, Rusty, 11; Ann, 7, and Terry Kay, 4. . . . Orville L. O'Shields is employed by Farmers Home Administration of the U. S. Department of Agriculture in Montgomery. . . . J. Calvin Reed is a rural mail carrier on Route 1, Portersville, Ala. . . . John C. Rice is a professor of agronomy at North Carolina State College in Raleigh.

## 1941

**Deaths:** Mrs. Maribeth Hodges Loftin of Montgomery at her home Jan. 25.



She was a former resident of Birmingham. For the past 18 months, she and her husband, M. Herschel Loftin, had made their home in Montgomery. Survivors include Mr. Loftin; one son, Jimmy; one daughter, Margaret, all of Montgomery; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hodges, Mt. Dora, Fla.; and one brother.

Lt. Col. LeRoy Patterson has been transferred from Ft. Campbell, Ky., to Fort Bragg, N. C., where he is serving in headquarters of the 319th Field Artillery Battalion. . . . Robert S. Payne is in the lumber and pulpwood business at Notasulga. . . . Frank M. Renfro is owner-manager of Opelika Floral Co. Mrs. Renfro is the former Ann Tatum, '41. . . . Harold C. Sharpe is vice president of Whorton Pharmacal Co. of Gadsden. Mr. Sharpe's work is in field of pharmaceutical sales. Mr. and Mrs. Sharpe (Sybil Richardson, '41) have four children, Carl, 9, Philip, 3; and twins, Nancy Duke and Mary Lynne, 17 months old.

## 1942

Cdr. Wendell George Davis is serving as a Navy civil engineer with headquarters of the Fleet Marine Force at the Naval Base in Norfolk, Va. . . . Jackson G. Fields is associate general agent for Aetna Life Insurance Co. at Jacksonville, Fla. Mrs. Fields is the former Alison Knapp, '44. . . . James W. Fitzpatrick, Jr., Decatur, has been elected first vice president of the Alabama Society of Professional Engineers for 1956.

## 1943

Births: Twin daughters, Cecillia Ione and Cynthia Claudine, to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. McGilivray (Juliette Summers) of Fairfax in West Point Jan. 14. Mr. McGilivray is a florist. . . . A son, Stuart Melton, to Mr. and Mrs. John B. Wilson, Jr., of Peoria, Ill., Jan. 8. Mr. Wilson is Caterpillar Tractor Co.'s director of Latin American operations.

Dr. Louis G. Landrum is a physician in Lake City, Fla. . . . Edward H. Lindley is an engineer with Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co. in Tuscaloosa. . . . Harry Lowe, associate professor of art at Auburn, was one of 22 artists whose works were represented at the 45th annual National Exhibition of Oil Paintings in Jackson, Miss., in the fall. One of his water colors was included in the Southeastern Annual Exhibition in Atlanta. Mr. Lowe also staged a one-man exhibition of 30 of his paintings at the Pacer Gallery in Atlanta in November. Mr. Lowe represented API at the meeting of the College Art Association of America in Pittsburgh, Penn., in January.

## 1944

William J. Strickland is a rural carrier for the U. S. Post Office Department at Arlington, Ga. . . . Willie Lee Trawick is a livestock farmer at Trawick Hog Farm, Route 2, Headland. . . . Clifford A. Webb, Jr., is a supervisor with Union Bag and Paper Corp. at Savannah, Ga.

## 1945

Robert G. Brown, Opelika, is retiring president of the Alabama Dairy Products Association. . . . Jack H. Rainer has been appointed new Montgomery manager for Guardian Life Insurance Co. of America. Mr. and Mrs. Rainer have a son, 10, and a daughter, 6.

## 1946

Mary L. Adams is a case worker with the Montgomery County Department of Pensions and Securities in Montgomery. . . . Brendon A. Bond is a self-employed architect in Montgomery. . . . Jack Dunlop is 1956 president of the Auburn Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Dunlop is president of Dunlop and Harwell, real estate and insurance firm in Auburn.

## 1947

Births: A daughter, Ethel Watson, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Barnes, Jr., of Montgomery Nov. 22. Mr. Barnes is executive vice president of the Alabama Dairy Products Association, with headquarters in Montgomery. . . . A son, John Albert, Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. John Albert Simpson of Birmingham Jan. 15.

Charles Q. Hall is general superintendent of Eason Pottery Works, Inc., at Columbus, Ga. . . . Martha C. Huckabee is pharmacist with Bradford Drug Co. in Uniontown. . . . John B. Richardson is assistant manager of Sears, Roebuck Co. at Lynchburg, Va. Mrs. Richardson is the former Rebecca Williamson, '43. . . . Walter Elwood Stone has been promoted from assistant county agent of Pike County to county agent of Bullock County. Mr. Stone has moved to Union Springs.

## 1948

Births: A son, Bowden Clay, to Mr.

and Mrs. Wayne Hepler of New Kensington, Penn., Dec. 30. . . . A daughter, Patricia Anne, to Mr. and Mrs. Solon E. (Mac) McGraw, Jr., of Birmingham Dec. 26. Mr. McGraw is Chevrolet zone truck manager in Birmingham. . . . A son, Coleman Hails, to Mr. and Mrs. Versal Spalding, Jr., of Birmingham Dec. 27.

Marriages: Helen E. Hedley to John H. Cates, Jr., in Houston, Tex., Dec. 19. Mr. Cates is employed as a buyer in the purchasing department of the Dow Chemical Co.'s Texas Division. Mr. and Mrs. Cates are making their home in Lake Jackson, Tex.

Eugene T. Millsap is a partner in Sherlock, Smith and Adams, architects and engineers, in Montgomery. . . . James N. Montgomery has been promoted to assistant superintendent in the engineering development group of the technical section of the duPont plant at Belle, W. Va. He holds a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Auburn and a master's degree from Georgia Tech. While in the Army Signal Corps, he aided in developments in the fields of micro waves and radio link communications. Since joining duPont in 1953, he has been engaged in the development of industrial process controls and has made important contributions in this field. Mr. Montgomery has served as chairman of the communications and electronics committee of the West Virginia Section of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. He makes his home in Charleston, W. Va.

## 1949

Births: A son, George Phillip, Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. George P. Edwards of Dawson, Ga., Jan. 7. . . . A daughter, Patricia Wynne, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Hafford of Decatur Jan. 15. . . . A daughter, Cile Clarke, to Mr. and Mrs. F. Burt Vardeman (Martha Hay, '48) of Tuscaloosa Aug. 22. Mr. Vardeman is business manager for Stillman College. The Vardemans have two other children, Frances, 5; and Frank, 3.

Marriages: Dallis Louise Hogeland to Marvin Edward Houston in Birmingham Jan. 20. Mr. Houston is a graduate student in electrical engineering at Auburn.

Orus Lamar Bennett, Cullman, and Eugene Bondurant Sledge, Mobile, received master's degrees from Auburn at the December graduation. Mr. Bennett, who was awarded a degree in agronomy, wrote his thesis on the availability of phosphorus in various sources of rock phosphate as shown by greenhouse and laboratory studies. Mr. Sledge, studied the pathogenicity of the spiral nematode—Steiner, 1945—in relation to varieties of corn. Mr. Sledge was the first person to receive a degree in nematology under the Southern Regional Nematology teaching program.

W. L. Robertson, Jr., is a rural mail carrier at Comer. . . . Raymond T. Roser is an insurance counselor for Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. at Pensa-

cola, Fla. . . . Charles Hoffman Rowe teaches vocational agriculture at Morgan County High School in Hartselle. Mr. and Mrs. Rowe have a son, Gregory Paul. . . . John Frederick Rutledge owns and operates his own pharmacy in Demopolis. . . . John Paul Scherer is foreman of the cloth finishing department of Avondale Mills Sylacauga plant. Mrs. Scherer is the former Sue Farrington, '49. They live in Sylacauga. . . . William Louis Seal, Auburn, is working in the plant pest control department of the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Research Service in Washington, D. C. He earned his master's degree from API in entomology in March, 1955.

## 1950

Marriages: Olivia Stone to John Laurie Dale, Jr., in Pine Apple Dec. 21. Mr. Dale is serving in the U. S. Corps of Engineers.

Capt. Elwood W. Burkhardt is officer in charge of the Inter-American Geodetic Survey in El Salvador. Mrs. Burkhardt and their two daughters have joined him in San Salvador, capital of the Central American Republic. . . . Harold W. Darby, Jr., is production control supervisor for Hayes Aircraft Corp. He lives in Vincent. . . . Fletcher L. Folks is a production specialist for the Air Force in Mobile.

Robert P. Gaines is an engineer with Alabama Power Co. in Anniston. . . . Lloyd W. Gilbert is a textile engineer at Bemis Brothers Bag Co. in Talladega.

William F. Gray is an architect with William P. Thompson, Jr., in Macon, Ga. . . . Bobby J. Griffin is head teacher of veterans vocational agriculture for Covington County. He makes his home on his farm at Route 1, McKenzie. . . . William Thomas Griffin, Jr., is an artist with Newspaper Printing Corp. in Nashville, Tenn.

Clarence R. Koon is a salesman for Swift Manufacturing Co. at Columbus, Ga. . . . L. L. Koon is employed as an engineer at General Electric's medium power transformer plant in Rome, Ga.

Bruce H. McLain is manager of Radio and Appliance Co. in Nashville, Tenn.

William G. McLain is employed by B. F. Goodrich Chemical Co. at Lakewood, Ohio. . . . Dr. Richard C. Mann, veterinarian, operates Ocala Veterinary Hospital in Ocala, Fla. . . . Henry A. Miller is an engineer with the Soil Conservation Service at Dadeville. . . . Dr. William R. Miller has moved from Fremont, Neb., to Robertsedale, where he has opened a veterinary practice.

## 1951

Births: A daughter, Kathy Lynn, to Dr. and Mrs. William A. Standifer of Birmingham Jan. 4. . . . A daughter, Teresa Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. Myron G. Turner of Montgomery Dec. 28.

Marriages: Carol Jean Youman to Frederick Jeffrey Paulk in Union Springs Dec. 15. Mr. and Mrs. Paulk are

# Walker County's Man of Year — Earl W. (Bill) Kelley, '43

WALKER COUNTY'S outstanding young man of 1955 is Bill Kelley, '43, of Carbon Hill.

Bill (legally Earl William) Kelley received the Jasper Jaycees' annual distinguished service award at a banquet Jan. 13. The winner's name remained a secret until the final minutes of the banquet.

Mr. Kelley, now 35, is president of Carbon Hill Industrial Association. Under his leadership the organization has succeeded in raising \$50,000 to help bring an industry to Carbon Hill. He was elected a member of the Carbon Hill City Commission in the fall of 1955.

At Auburn Bill was graduated in industrial engineering. He was a member of Theta Chi fraternity. He served as a lieutenant (junior grade) in the Navy in World War II, participating in the Luzon landings in the Philippine campaign.

He is now owner-manager of Kelley Mercantile Company in Carbon Hill.

His other activities include teaching Sunday School, serving as president of the Carbon Hill Lions Club, and holding membership in the American Legion, Auburn Alumni Association, Auburn Education Foundation, Carbon Hill Athletic Association and Carbon Hill Park and Recreation Board.

Mr. Kelley, in receiving the Jaycee award, commented that he had participated in the civic activities which



Kelley . . . Industry for Carbon Hill were cited "because I wanted to help my community."

Mrs. Kelley is the former Elnora Bardeleben of Birmingham. They have three sons, Earl William, 12, Kerry Lynwood, 8, and Michael Alan, 4.

## Alumni Association Visitors During January Listed

A NUMBER OF alumni visited the Auburn Alumni Association offices in January.

The following alumni signed the Association's guest book when they came to the campus during the month:

Dr. J. M. Luke, '12, Eufaula; Homer T. Baker, '13, Albertville; George G. Blau, Jr., '30, Atlanta; Paul E. Shoffeitt, '37, Auburn; John A. Dubberley, '39, Tallahassee; Morris Hall, '39, Atlanta; Jimmy A. Dowdy, '43, Montgomery; Jacques B. Houston, '43, Baton Rouge, La.; Duncan P. Liles, Jr., '43, Montgomery.

John C. Bregger, '52, Charleston, W. Va.; James M. Jones, '52, West Point, Ga.; Mrs. Jo Kirby Stephenson, '52, Sheffield; Lt. (jg) Harry P. Daly, Jr., '53, Memphis, Tenn.; Francis G. Kirwin, '53, New Orleans, La.; Lt. and Mrs. Arthur D. Moore, Jr., '54, (Elizabeth Scruggs), Pell City; Pvt. Richard P. Reese, '55, Fort Benning, Ga.

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making their home in Union Springs. . . . Roberta Pearson, '55, of Mobile to Charles Timothy Russell in Auburn Jan. 28. The Russells are making their home in Auburn, where Mr. Russell is employed by Auburn Ice and Coal Co. as a building estimator.

Jim Haynes of Tuscaloosa is secretary-treasurer of the Auburn Forestry Alumni Association for 1955-57. . . .

John Thomas Hartley, Jr., is an instructor in electrical engineering at Auburn. . . . William T. Havron is sales representative for Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Co. at Miami, Fla. . . . J. B. Henderson has been transferred to a new General Electric plant in Hendersonville, N. C. Mr. Henderson joined GE upon graduation, and has been under the manufacturing training program. His assignments included Philadelphia, Cincinnati, Ohio, Fort Wayne, Ind., East Orange, N. J., and Lynn, Mass. Mrs. Henderson is the former Lucille May, '51. They have two daughters, Ellen, 3, and Jane, 1.

## 1952

Marriages: Margaret Joan Baughn of Panama City, Fla., to Lt. Jephtha Weldon Dennis, Jr., in Honolulu, Hawaii, Jan. 1. Lt. and Mrs. Dennis are making their home at Waikei. He is stationed at Hickam Air Force Base. . . . Diane Palmer Smith to Lt. (jg) Gregory A. Mitchell, Jr., in Oakland, Calif., June 18. Lt. Mitchell is assigned to the Naval ROTC unit staff at the University of Michigan, where he is an instructor in naval engineering. The Mitchells live in Ann Arbor.

Walter B. Benton is a structural engineer with the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at Savannah, Ga. . . . George F. Beranek, Jr., is taking executive training at the Detroit Bank, Detroit, Mich. He makes his home in Grosse Pointe. . . . Richard G. Berberich is a civil engineer with American Water Works Service Co. at Narberth, Penn. . . . E. C. Boles, MS, is principal and teacher at a school in Cullman. . . . Betty B. Boswell is a claims examiner for Social Security Administration at Birmingham. . . . James E. Boyett is an accountant with McKesson and Robbins, Inc., in Columbus, Ga.

## 1953

Births: A daughter, Merrie Lisa, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lamkin of Waycross, Ga., Dec. 19. Mr. Lamkin is an architect in Waycross. . . . A son, Charles Lee, Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Payne, '57, (Irene Casey, '53) of Auburn Jan. 3. Mr. Payne is an architectural student at Auburn.

Marriages: Barbara Irene Berryhill, '58 to William Percy Alford, Jr., in Lakeland, Ga., Feb. 12. Lt. and Mrs. Alford will live in Birmingham. . . . Nancy B. Atkinson, '55, to James Emsley Barnett in Madison Dec. 28. . . . Margaret Rene Schmitt to Robert G. Dawson, Jr., in Birmingham Dec. 28.

Marriages: Sylvia Mock, '56, to Wayne Fagerstrom in Mobile Dec. 23. Mrs. Fagerstrom is teacher of home economics at a junior high school and Mr. Fagerstrom is a salesman for Burroughs Corp. in Mobile. He has recently returned from Army duty in the Far East. . . . Gaynell Downey, '55, to Wesley Grant of Uriah in Whistler Dec. 27. Mr. Grant is vocational agricultural teacher at Fairhope. Mrs. Grant has been commercial teacher at Baldwin County High School in Bay Minette. . . . Eva Stuckey to Mose Stuart, III, in Montgomery Feb. 3.

Calvin Johnston Des Portes, Jr., is a



sales engineer with Levy Morton, electrical contractors, in Columbus, Ga. . . . Mr. and Mrs. J. Bradley Donaghey (Theresa Daniels, '54) live in Mobile, where he is associated with Donaghey Plumbing and Heating Co. . . . Mrs. Jeanette Bailey Edge (Mrs. Walter R. Edge) is a homemaker at Lanett. . . . Billy E. Files is a pharmacist at Strickland Drugs, Carbon Hill. . . . Wallace P. Flowers has joined the field engineering staff of Hughes Aircraft Co. in Culver City, Calif. He was formerly associated with Glenn L. Martin Co.

Dr. Chester F. Gaines, veterinarian, has moved from Clanton to his home town, Prattville. . . . Tommy Gibbs is supervising principal of the school at Bushnell, Fla. . . . Dr. Robert A. Glass is a veterinarian in Jacksonville, N. C. . . . Donald H. Hazelrig is serving in the Army in Europe. . . . Thomas E. Helms is a farmer at Route 2, Brundidge. . . . First Lt. Kendrel M. Helton has completed the Army Medical Field Serving School course for dentists at Fort Sam Houston, Tex. Dr. Helton is now stationed at Fort Benning, Ga. . . . Robert C. Hughes teaches vocational agriculture at Butler.

## 1954

Calvin C. Dean is employed by Sears, Roebuck and Co., at Gulfport, Miss. Mrs. Dean is the former Jacqueline Adair. . . . Mrs. Fred Denman (Jo Anne Wise) is a housewife at Samson. . . . Lt. Donald Eugene Dennis is an instructor in guided missiles at the Ordnance School, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md. He formerly was a chemical engineer at Redstone Arsenal. Lt. and Mrs. Dennis make their home in Harve de Grace, Md. . . . Nicholas A. DiLaura is employed by United Fruit Co. in La Lima, Honduras, Central America.

John Edward Dillard, III, is an engineer with Alabama Power Co. in Mobile. He is married to the former Wanda Faye Green. . . . Pfc. Robert M. Dixon is serving with headquarters of the 709th Military Police Battalion in Frankfurt, Germany. . . . Lt. Harold Thomas Dodson is serving with the 10th Engineering Battalion, Company B, at Fort Benning, Ga. . . . Mrs. Ruth Bailey Dominick is a second grade teacher at Cannon Street School in LaGrange, Ga. She and her husband, Robert B. Dominick, Sr., and their two daughters live on Route 1, LaGrange.

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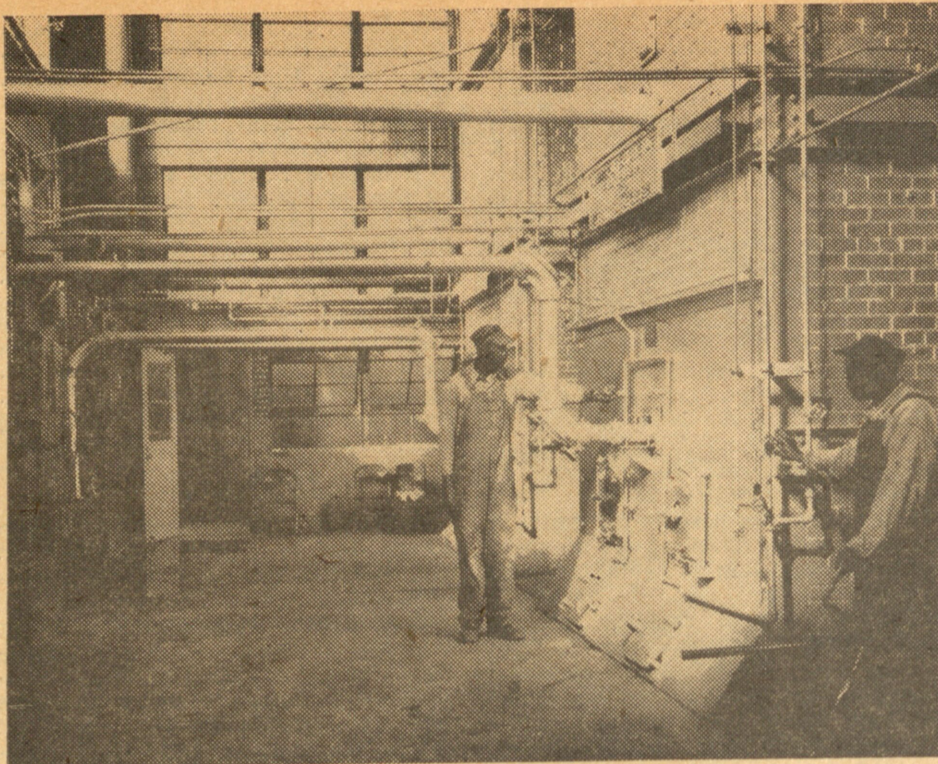
Marriages: Ann J. Floyd to Rev. S. Patrick Buckles, '57, in Berkeley, Calif., Dec. 18. Both Rev. and Mrs. Floyd are students at Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary in Berkeley. . . . Nancy Marie Pierce to Stephen James Buckley, III, in Birmingham Feb. 4. . . . Barbara Jarrett of Jackson, Miss., to Harlan V. Cooper in Spartanburg, S. C., Jan. 21. Mr. Cooper is now serving in the Army at Fort Jackson, S. C. . . . Glendora Faye Lackey to Clifford C. Coulter in Opelika Jan. 21. The Coulters are making their home in Atlanta, where he is associated with Crawford Insurance Adjusters. Mrs. Coulter is an assistant buyer at Davison-Paxon Co.

Marriages: Jo Ann Register to Ellis Baker Kenimer, '56, Sept. 17. Mrs. Kenimer is teacher of the second grade at Selma Street School in Dothan, where they are making their home. . . . Mary Jane Stallings to Donald Lee Mayfield in Centerville Dec. 21. Mr. Mayfield has been serving in the Army in Fairbanks, Alaska. . . . Thelma Louise Gandy to Paul H. Price, '58, Dec. 17. Mr. and Mrs. Price are making their home in Anni-

Marriages: Ella Field Bugbee, MS, to William Francis M. Quantrill in Auburn Dec. 27. Both are members of the Auburn faculty. Mrs. Quantrill is on the staff of the API nursery school. She holds a bachelor's degree from Peabody College. Mr. Quantrill of Norwich, England, did his undergraduate work in architecture at the University of Liverpool. Last year he was a fellow at the University of Pennsylvania, where he received a master's degree. He joined the Auburn faculty in the fall of 1955.

Marriages: Virginia Anne Mulvey to John E. Rives in Birmingham Feb. 4. Mr. Rives has been doing graduate work at Duke University, Durham, N. C. . . . Orra C. Webster of Montgomery to Thomas C. Smyth, '58, in Troy Dec. 22. They are making their home in Auburn where Mr. Smyth is a student in the School of Veterinary Medicine. . . . Phyllis Anne Schamehorn to James Calvin Taylor, Jr., of Trussville in Clearwater, Fla., Jan. 27.

Marriages: Marilakin Key Howard, '54, to Dr. Daniel M. Thomas in Montgomery Dec. 28. Dr. and Mrs. Thomas are living in Waco, Tex., where he is base veterinarian at James Connally Air Force Base. Mrs. Thomas is staff dietitian at the Veterans' Administration Hospital in Waco. She completed her dietetic internship at Duke University Hospital in Durham, N. C., last summer.



THESE STEAM BOILERS in the central heating plant furnish heat for the main Auburn campus from Samford Hall to the Women's Dormitories and Magnolia (Men's) Dormitories. Although there are only three 300-horsepower boilers, they produce a combined 1,400 horsepower. The problem: API has no standby boiler or reserve. Seventy-seven individual boilers serve 77 different buildings, in addition to the heat from the central plant. Shown at work are John Christian, head fireman (left) and Wilbur Turner.

## Auburn's Oldest Native, Mrs. Dunstan, Dies

MRS. LOULA PERSONS DUNSTAN, Auburn's oldest native-born resident, died in Auburn Jan. 30 after a brief illness. She was the wife of Arthur St. Charles Dunstan, '89, who taught electrical engineering at Auburn for 52 years before his retirement in 1951.

Mrs. Dunstan, the granddaughter of pre-Civil War settlers of Auburn, was born in 1871. Professor and Mrs. Dunstan would have celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in 1956.

Survivors include her husband of Auburn; one son, Arthur M. Dunstan, '28, of Alexandria, Va.; and two grandchildren.

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## Charlton

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Charlton traveled from Boston to St. Louis and Chicago, explaining effective use of Geon polyvinyl resins.

One of his clients was Masland, which employed him in 1944 to set up a plastics division. He became technical director for the company the next year. It was during this period in Philadelphia that he worked on Duran.

Mrs. Charlton feels that her husband's work on Duran was most important. "Almost everywhere you go," she said, "you will find furniture and built-in seats upholstered in Duran."

## Civic leaders

BOTH DOT and Dick welcomed the move back to Alabama in 1950.

Now that Lantuck is in production, Mr. Charlton hopes to find more time for fishing, golf, duck and goose hunting. "I firmly believe the fellowship with friends as we participate in the most enjoyable part," he comments.

Currently Mr. Charlton is president of the West Point, Ga., Rotary Club. He is also member of the Riverside Country Club of West Point and the Saugahatchee Country Club of Auburn. He is also a Mason and a Shriner.

The Charltons are members of the Fairfax Methodist Church.

Mrs. Charlton is active in civic affairs in "The Valley," too. She is president of the Fairfax Garden Club, chairman of Methodist Circle 1, and a Red Cross Gray Lady. She has been a Girl Scout committee woman and Junior Red Cross chairman. She is also serving as a director of the West Point Country Club.

While in Ohio, she served as Kappa Delta sorority rush chairman for three states. She is a member of P.E.O. in Philadelphia.

The two Charlton boys—Rick (13-year-old Richard E. Charlton, III) and Lawrence Lewis, 9—spend holidays with their father in the family motor boat on the Chattahoochee River.

Rick shares his father's enthusiasm for science and sports, while Lawrence's current interest is music. And—like their father and mother—both boys are ardent Tigers fans.

## Auburn Clubs Report

### Tri-Cities

MALCOLM L. MARSH, Jr., '49, has been elected new president of the Tri-Cities Auburn Club for 1956.

Other officers who will serve with him are Ronald D. Young, '42, vice president; and J. Howard McClanahan, '43, who was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

### Far East

THE GOLDEN DRAGON Club in Yokohama was the scene of the Jan. 22 meeting of the Far East Auburn Club.

Col. Leonard A. (Steve) Weissinger, '31, new president of the Auburn group, presided. He succeeds Lt. Col. Alexander Kharitonoff, '39.

Other 1956 officers are Lt. Col. Thomas J. Bowen, '39, first vice president; Joseph Jolley, '36, second vice president; First Lt. Roy C. Caudle, '52, secretary; Mrs. Allen V. Hurd, treasurer; and Mrs. George L. Shumaker, (Marguerite Morgan, '54), publicity director.

The meeting was a sayonara (good-bye) party for Lt. Col. and Mrs. Oscar Burford, '39, former vice president of the Far East Club. Col. Burford will leave Japan in February for a new assignment at Camp Baku, California.

The club meets each third Saturday of the month in either Yokohama or Tokyo. Any alumni in the Far East are asked to contact Maj. George Shumaker (phone Yokohama 2-6316) or Lt. Roy Caudle (phone Camp Zama 3-2232) for information about future meetings.

### Mexico

DR. WALTER F. REINKING, '33, was elected president of the Mexico Auburn Club for 1956 at the January meeting.

Other officers are Dr. Clinton N. Kaminis, '43, vice president; Dr. Forrest E. Henderson, '43, secretary; and Eugene L. Wagner, '48, treasurer.

Dr. Reinking, former vice president, succeeds Dr. Kaminis.

The Mexico Auburn Club holds monthly meetings.

### Prospective clubs

A NUMBER of Auburn men and women have expressed interest in forming clubs in their cities which do not now have API alumni organizations. Alumni Secretary Joseph B. Sarver, Jr., has received queries about forming clubs in the following areas:

Havana Cuba. Charlton E. Bruner, '36, factory manager, B. F. Goodrich Co., Havana, Cuba.

Northeast Louisiana—Monroe, West Monroe, Ruston, Bastrop, Mer Rouge, Rayville, Delhi, Tallulah, Winnesboro and Columbia. Lewis A. Morgan, '43, '46, c/o Tyner-Petrus Co., 100 Trenton Street, West Monroe, La.

Other alumni in these areas interested in Auburn Clubs are asked to contact these men.

## B & C

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Working with Mr. Brewster were Dean of Faculties M. C. Huntley, Athletic Director Jeff Beard, Engineering Dean J. E. Hannum, Registrar Charles W. Edwards, Veterinary Dean R. S. Sugg, Business Manager W. Travis Ingram.

Home Economics Dean Marion W. Spidle, Dr. Paul Irvine of Education Interpretation Service, Dean of Women Katharine Cater, Coyt T. Wilson, assistant director of the API Agricultural Experiment Station, Director of Libraries Clyde H. Cantrell, Dr. Charles A. Anson, head of the department of business administration, and H. Floyd Vallery, coordinator of men's housing and Student Guidance Service director.

B & G employees spent many hours assembling information for the study of physical plant requirements, including an inventory of all buildings on the campus.

## Future enrollments

AFTER A 15-month study, the committee reported July 1, 1955. In addition to a revised master plan for development which establishes a schedule of present college needs and extends over the next 15 years, the report also predicted future enrollments for the school.

The report stated:

"The Committee recognized that the growth of any institution, such as ours, is dependent upon too many factors to make long range predictions infallible. Nonetheless, this is an honest report based on known facts, and projected to the year 1970 with the assumption that the interviewing years will be normal, or near normal, ones. It is conservative report, and it is made so deliberately."

A few figures from five-year intervals show that Auburn's predicted enrollments will be as follows in the fall quarters:

1960—9,157.

1965—9,664.

1970—10,962.

The 1955 fall enrollment was 7,904.

The study also shows that these increased enrollments are following current Auburn enrollment trends. From 1940 to 1954, enrollments in all colleges in the state went up 29 per cent. During the same 15 years, API's enrollment jumped 95 per cent.

Today Auburn enrolls about one-third of the state's white college students, compared with one-fourth in 1940.

## Classrooms well used

ANOTHER PORTION of the study revealed that Auburn is making excellent use of its classroom space.

Normally, colleges and universities use their classrooms about 40 per cent of each eight-hour day. Mr. Brewster pointed out that this is due to the fact that college classes range in size to small graduate groups and laboratories are unsuited to classroom use.

In spite of these conditions, Auburn classrooms were scheduled to 68.47 per cent of possible use in the fall of 1954.

Which is another way of saying that state funds and student fees spent at API—whether for maintenance and operation, for teaching or for research—are indeed "Dollars With Big Dividends."

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## ALUMNEWS BEGINS ELEVENTH YEAR

THE AUBURN ALUMNEWS begins its 11th year of publication with this February issue.

The first four-page issue was dated Feb. 6, 1946. It featured API President Luther Noble Duncan, '00, as "Alumnus of the Month." A page one story reported winter quarter enrollment of 3,670 students. (Today Auburn has 7,506 students.)

Originally, the tabloid newspaper was mailed to all Auburn alumni whose names and addresses were on file in the Auburn Alumni Association headquarters. In 1952, because of the rising cost of publication, circulation was restricted to dues-paying members of the Association.

The Association inaugurated a policy of one year's free subscription and alumni membership to all graduates of API, beginning in 1954.

Suggestions, stories, ideas and news for The Alumnews or the Alumalities are welcomed. They may be sent to the Auburn Alumnews, Auburn Alumni Association, Auburn, Ala., at any time.